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Mr. Harvey Levin
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Dear Mr. Levin,

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 16 and record my agreement. While I am perhaps a little less enthusiastic about the precise wording of the topic, I accept it. Also, I accept the conditions. However, I do want to suggest that you fix a limit of one or two minutes to questions and th same to answers, particularly to the answers. And I think there is little prospect of satisfying questioners in 20 minutes. However, should your group or school want to run longer, I am in accord.

May I ask that you have either a tape recorder available for the playing rather than the recording of tapes, or a means whereby a portable that I can have with me can be plugged into the PA system? Your letter makes no reference to our previous understanding, that the proceedings would be tape recorded and each of us would be given a copy.

I am well aware of budgetary problems, alas. I agree that if any other group sponsors me while I am there I will put them in touch with your for cost sharing, which I think would be right. I will most likely not have any housing expenses. The only costs I anticipate aside from the actual ticket is about $8.50 getting to the Washington airport and back and about $7.50 for parking. From where I live, cab is prohibitive.

Further to help you, as I told you, I agree to accept whatever honorarium Mr. Liebeler accepts, however little, and to forgo it entirely if he does.

To simplify accounting, may I ask that your group or school buy the ticket or authorize my travel agency, Journeys International, 1625 K St.,nw, to issue the ticket and bill you? I will keep my time flexible for that period. However, I think it might be helpful at the "gate" if I were to get there the day before and perhaps make a radio or TV appearance of so, if it can be arranged, as I think likely. This could help you with your expenses, perhaps yield a profit. If you would like me to make these arrangements, please let me know. I have friends who might take care of it with the media. I rather think there is enough interest in the Los Angeles area to give you a good crowd if we can get the word out, and this I think we can do. Also, sometimes the sponsoring groups likes to sell books. This gives them the bookstore profit. With respect to my first three, I can ship them on consignment should you desire. The fourth is readily available in the L.A. area.

If there are any other questions, please let me know. I will be gone for about two weeks beginning the end of the month. And, if the Shaw trial goes into the period now scheduled for the debate, I might have to be there. I doubt if Mr. Liebeler will go to New Orleans. Thhs possibility of delay might arrise,but I think it more likely the defense will be able to arrange longer delays, until after 3/22.

Sincerely yours,

Harold Weisberg